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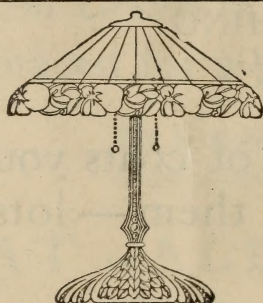
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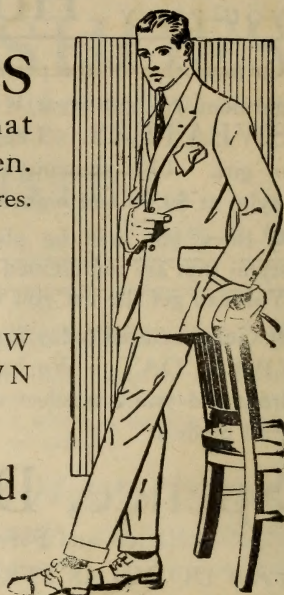
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A True Story of How a Coyote was Killed

ONE cold rainy day when there was nothing much to do, we gathered around our Uncle L—— asking him to tell us a prairie story. After a great deal of coaxing we persuaded him to settle down to tell one and here it is:

"Well boys and girls, I will tell you of an encounter with a coyote or prairie wolf. It was near the close of the year 1890 and we were settled in our winter home on the ranch, twenty-six miles from town, down in the Buffalo Lake Valley, where we were sheltered by hills two hundred feet high. Our summer home was four miles closer to town, on the plains where the threshing was done and where our granaries were in the winter. We had run short of grain for our chickens and cattle and consequently someone had to drive to the farm for it; so two of us, your Aunt G—— and I, started across the prairie in a jumper.

"Now a jumper, I must tell you, is a large home-made sleigh or cutter, usually drawn by one horse. Two long poles were obtained from the ravine and shod with iron for runners; these were braced with pieces of wood and then a large box, about four feet high in the back and one in the front, was placed upon them. A low seat was made with room for two or three passengers and a few sacks of grain on the floor.

"Well, in this jumper we soon covered the four miles. When we arrived at the farm we hurried to the granary. These granaries were not like the ones you see along the railroads but were built by the farmers who could not get their grain to the elevators until later. When harvest time came a framework of poles was made; the grain stacks were built close to this; then, during the threshing period the straw was taken by the carriers from the separator and thrown over the frame, sloping to about the thickness of six or seven feet at the base. To serve the purpose of a door some boards were placed in a leaning position; the straw was then thrown over this structure too, and later on the snow covered in warmly from the biting frost. When we wished to open our storehouse, the snow and straw were removed, leaving just enough room to get out with a sack of grain.

"Both of us worked hard to get an opening and on doing so we entered with a light, for it was very dark, but to our great astonishment there was a coyote lying in front of the door, sleeping soundly with his tail over his nose. We stood in breathless suspense, our knees knocking together. At last we planned for your aunt to stand at the doorway with the lamp while I would run for an axe. She, gathering all her courage, stood grasping the lamp and trembling.

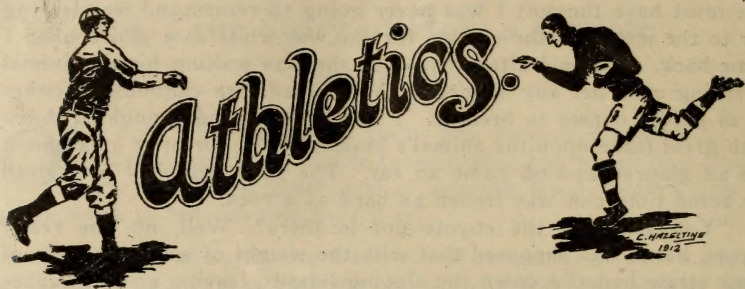
She must have thought I was never going to return and was leaving her to the mercy of the coyote, for she was white as a ghost when I came back. She said afterwards that she was waiting for the animal to spring upon her any moment. We entered very cautiously, neither of us hardly daring to breathe. I lifted the ax and brought it down with great force upon the animal's head. But to our utter amazement the ax glanced and off came an ear. The poor wolf had been dead for some time and was frozen as hard as a rock.

"You ask how the coyote got in there? Well, no one really knows, but it was supposed that with the weight of snow on the roof some straw had slid down the sloping boards, leaving an open space large enough for it to get in after a jack-rabbit. Once within it was impossible for him to get out owing to the sloping walls, and he could not jump through such a small place. He then starved and froze to death while he was in a deep sleep."

—E. H. Fletcher.

British Columbia Rhodes Scholar *for 1912*

Victoria High School has been again honoured by having one of the ex-students appointed Rhodes Scholar for British Columbia. Last year Mr. Joseph Clearihue, B. A., (McGill), received the appointment and is now in attendance at Oxford. This year the distinction went to Mr. Nelson King, B.A. (McGill), whose appointment is a fitting conclusion to his uniformly successful career as a student in this province and at Montreal. His natural ability was supported by earnest personal effort and application. Many students show cleverness early in life but do not maintain a high standard of excellence for any considerable length of time. They bloom early and fade quickly. Not so with Mr. King. His success was conspicuous in the High School entrance examinations and in the junior grade examinations of the High School. At matriculation he passed first in the school and province and third in the Dominion. He won a \$300 scholarship on entering McGill University, where he graduated a year ago with honours in classics, securing the Chapman gold medal which was then won for the first time by a B. C. student. He was not a great athlete, but latterly devoted some time to the race track and gymnasium and proved to be a runner of good ability. He has been admitted into Trinity College, Oxford, where he will spend three years. "The Camosun" extends its hearty congratulations to him and believes that he will appreciate to the full the great privilege of attending for three sessions the most famous seat of learning in the world.



THE interest in athletics, which seemed to be dying out during the last few years, has now been revived. Not only are our old clubs being carried on with renewed vigour, but many new ones have been formed. This year we have a junior, as well as a senior, rugby team; two school basketball leagues, three turf hockey teams (one more than last term), an ice hockey team, and an association football club. Of course the teams to play the Vancouver High School for the Thompson Cup are of chief interest, but the others give everybody a chance to play some game, and it would seem that everybody does play something, from the way the balls pertaining to all the games are pursued around the grounds after school.

RUGBY

Captain Tuohy's braves, by natural ability, and Mr. Yates' coaching, display even better form this year than last year's squad, and it is generally admitted that even they would have brought back the cup if conditions had been somewhat different. This year one game being played here and the other on the mainland, with the Vancouver Cadets, who, no doubt, contain some of the football players, in Australia, the Victoria aggregation of stars ought to annihilate the enemy.

The first time our team showed their strength was when, with the aid of Mr. Yates and Ross, they defeated the rugby team of H. M. S. Algerine by the one-sided score of twenty to three. The combined weight of the sailors was probably twice that of the High School boys, but the students' speed won out.

At Oak Bay on Thanksgiving Day the V. H. S. played Vancouver McGill's second team to a draw, each scoring nine points. The heavier collegians were in the lead until within about fifteen minutes of time, when, by a thrilling finish, our men tied the score.

First Half

McGill started strongly and for the first part of the game kept the ball well in the High School territory. Our line and goal was constantly in danger, and Vancouver missed several opportunities of scoring before they actually did so. They were given four free kicks right near our goal and should have scored on any of them, but profited by only one.

So far it seemed as though McGill had outclassed us, for in about fifteen minutes' play we had not got the ball past centre. However, soon after McGill scored Heyland brought the play into McGill's quarters by a splendid kick to touch, and for several minutes it was kept there. Then McGill rushed the ball down into our territory but gradually the play wore back to Vancouver's ground.

Encouraged by the cheers of the High School "rooters," our men tried hard to score. Once McCallum almost got over after some good three-quarter passing; once Tuohy missed putting over a free kick from near the touch line by a bare foot; once Warnicker nearly put a drop over from a free kick. Three almosts, but no score!

We continued to press them hard, and, at length on a three-quarters run, McCallum, the baby express-train, burst through and planted the ball behind the posts. Though this seemed an easy matter to convert, Tuohy's kick failed. The yellow and black were still getting the better of the red when the whistle blew for half-time. Score—three all.

Second Half

McGill started well as before. On a forward rush they carried the ball back of our twenty-five-yard line, and the play had not been there long before their three-quarters, getting the ball from a scrim, got over near the touch line for a try. The kick, being from a difficult angle, failed.

Following the twenty-five-yard kick, our men brought the ball to McGill's twenty-five, but they came back, rushing it down into our territory, and a moment later managed to add another try to their score, which was now nine to our three. It was all McGill now, and our supporters despaired.

However, this ended their scoring, for their kick was a failure, and henceforth the High School took the offensive. Following up the twenty-five kick, they brought the ball into the enemy's ground and kept it there the greater part of the remaining time. Our scrim was working better and giving the three-quarters a chance.

McGill did make one lone run, but McCallum brought the ball right back by a long run and kick. After a few minutes' play the High School was awarded a free kick and Tuohy put a place kick over the bar for a splendid goal. There was great excitement among the spectators at this, but it reached a climax when, after a dribbling rush, Heyland made a try, tying the score. Somebody had kicked the ball over the line and it was a race to get to it first. Two McGill players were nearer than any of the High School, but Heyland showed his speed by beating them. As it was near the touch line the kick failed, and the whistle blew for time a few minutes later. Score—nine all.

Tuohy wished to play over-time but the McGill manager refused unless one of his players, McEwen, who had been put off for playing carnivorously was allowed to go on again. As this was not permitted by the referee the game stood as a draw, nine all.

Juniors

Several practises have been held on the school grounds for those who cannot attend the senior tryouts. Many who have never played the game before have come out and are learning fast, so that there will probably be a good team. Mr. Yates has made arrangements with the University School for a game with their second team, to take place in the near future.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

Many boys were disappointed to learn that there would be this year neither a team in the School League nor one for the City Junior League. There was a feeling among the schools of the city that the High School had too great an advantage over the others in that they had the pick of players from all over the city, whereas only the boys of the ward attended each of the other schools. When they voiced this opinion in a protest, rather than have any ill feeling on the matter, the High School withdrew. They were winning the cup too often anyway. As for the Junior League, it was discovered that, as the age limit was changed to under nineteen, no team of sufficient ability could be put in the field without the aid of five or six outsiders. As the school fund is for the use of High School students only, no team was entered.

However, as a compensation, Mr. Strachan will organize a league in the school in accordance with the general aim in athletics this term. Goal posts will be erected on the school grounds and the games played there. There will probably be two Prelim teams, two Juniors, and one Matric.

TURF HOCKEY

There are two boys' hockey clubs this year, one in the High School and one in the College, and each expects to have an even more successful season than that of last year. The officers elected for the High School Club are: President, Mr. Wood; Captain, L. McBride; Vice-Captain, A. McBride; and for the College: Honorary President, Mr. Willis; President, Mr. Wood; Captain, J. Dowler; Vice-Captain, W. Ross; Secretary, Gerow.

The First Game

The first match this season took place on Wednesday, the 23rd of October, between the University School and the Victoria College, in which the University were victors by a score of 3—2. During the first ten minutes of play the ball was kept extremely close to the College goal but gradually it shifted to the University ground until the College were pressing hard. At one time the Mount Tolmie boys broke away and had it not been for the excellent work of McBride in goal the score might have been higher. The first half closed with play about even.

The second half started much like the first with the University School pressing hard on our goal until the College forwards rushed up the field and McCannell scored. In a few minutes Tatlor of the University scored. Play now evened up until Mr. Wood dribbled the ball up the field and passed to Newitt who shot it into the goal. The University School now attacked our defense, and, after shooting many times, scored, making it a tie. At full time it was agreed to play on, and in the last minute Invaryety, of the University School, drove in the winning goal. Mr. Collison made an excellent referee.

The line-ups: University—Goal, Henderson; full backs, Finlayson, Waldon; half backs, Townsend, Gaylor (captain), Davis; forwards, Dobby, Invaryety, Winch, Kilpatrick, Tatlor.

Victoria College—Goal, McBride; full backs, Mr. Hope and Gerow; half backs, Ross, Dowler and H. Ross; forwards, McCannell, Graves, Mr. Wood, Mr. Yates and Newitt.

The Girls' Hockey Club shows its usual form this year and the players feel confident of regaining the cup they were robbed of last term. The loss of the Misses Grubb, Miss Wille, Miss Jackson and Miss Nason will be greatly felt, but there is plenty of new material. This year's officers are: President, Mr. Hope; Captain, Miss Cessford; Vice-Captain, Miss Hardwick; Secretary, Miss King; Committee, Miss Hauck, Miss Ramlose.

A very good hockey match took place at Oak Bay on Thanksgiving Day between the Victoria Ladies' eleven and the V. H. S. There was a fair crowd in attendance and the High School received a very fair support from the assembled rooters.

The game started at 10.15, Mr. Sid Winsby acting as referee. During the first half the play was fairly even, both sides playing evenly and both teams showing a decided need of practice. Miss Vaio scored, thus giving the Ladies a lead of one goal at the end of the first half.

With the start of the second half the Ladies made several ineffective rushes, Miss Smith and Miss Cessford putting in some very effective work. But the Ladies broke through their guard and by the end of the second half two more goals were scored by Misses Vaio and Jackson.

On the whole the V. H. S. forwards had very fair combination, whereas the Ladies were decidedly lacking in this necessary requirement.

One reason for the Ladies' victory seems to be due to the fact that many old High School girls had places on their team. These were: Misses Nason, Davies, Jackson, Cameron and Wille. The line-ups were:

Ladies—Goal, Miss Crocker; full backs, Miss Wille and Gray; half backs, Misses Christopher, Summerville, Nason; forwards, Misses Jackson, Vaio, Davis, Cameron, Duncan.

High School—Goal, Miss Burrell; full backs, Misses Smith and Cessford; half backs, Misses Harman, Sherwood, Hauck; forwards, Misses Ramlose, Hardwick, King, Finland, Hampton.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

At last! at last the Victoria High School boasts a girls' basketball team. For several years it has been the ambition of the girls of the High School to play basketball, but as usual with so many proposed things at High School, it never went any further than "talk," the objection being that it would take too much material from hockey. However, this year, largely through the instrumentality of Miss Leila Carson, who first gained the consent of the principal, then called a meeting and organized the teams, basketball was started. The success of the venture was the highest and eight teams were organized immediately and two more have been added since. Out of the fifty enthusiasts only ten had played before, so these comprised the senior team. They practise at the J. B. A. A. gymnasium twice a week, Mr. McDonald having kindly consented to act in the capacity of coach. Several of the boys have helped out by coaching the beginners. They have a sorry time of it sometimes, especially when some of the young lady spectators endeavour to encourage them in the good work by their applause; but that is "all in the game." As yet only one has deserted his post.

Already we have written to the Vancouver High School to arrange a girls' game when the other teams come down on November 29, and have received a favourable reply, so in all probability there will be a girls' game preliminary to the boys.

A series of matches for the championship of the school will be played, beginning immediately. The competition between the beginners' teams will be close indeed.

The officers elected were: President, Miss MacLeod; Vice-Captain, Miss Leila Carson; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Marion Kinnaird; Coaches, Mr. McDonald, N. McDiarmid and W. Cutler.

The members of the senior team are as follows: Misses Erma Cessford, Sybil King, Leila Carson, Gertrude Scott, Edna Leigh, Mona Lane, Marnie Burridge, Marion Kinnaird, Rubie Hume and Mary Taylor.

A captain will not be chosen until an all-star team is picked to play Vancouver; until then the vice-captain fills that position.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

There is to be a league in the school this year, which will afford most excellent practice for the members of the team who play Vancouver. As yet no league officers have been elected, but Will Cutler has been appointed acting-secretary. The following schedule of games has been drawn up:

Thursday, October 31st—Matric B. vs. Junior C., Class I. Junior A. vs. Junior D., Class II.

Tuesday, November 5th—Matric V. vs. Junior C., Class I. Junior D. vs. Preliminary B., Class II.

Friday, November 8th—Matric C. vs. Matric B., Class I. Junior A. vs. Preliminary B., Class II.

Tuesday, November 12th—Finals between Classes I and II.

ICE HOCKEY

The first meeting of the Ice Hockey players was well attended and the prospects seem good for a winning team this year. There was some discussion about playing Vancouver High School when they come over, but nothing definite was decided. Mr. Hope will manage the team again this year, and will arrange to get the rink for practice as soon as possible. Hazeltine was elected secretary of the club and Warnicker and Campbell temporary captains of two practice teams. The regular captain and other officers will be chosen later.

Most of last year's players will be seen in action again and there are plenty new ones to pick from. Last year the V. H. S. "puck chasers" easily won the intermediate championship of the city and they expect to do the same this year.

"The Girl of Yore"

Backward, turn backward, O time in your flight,
And give us a maiden dressed proper and right.
We are so weary of switches and rats,
Great Langtry clusters and peach-basket hats.
Wads of jute hair in a horrible pile,
Stacked on their heads to the height of a mile.
Something is wrong with the maidens, we fear;
Give us the girls as they used to appear.
Give us the girls we once knew of yore,
Whose curls didn't come from a hair-dressing store.
Maidens who dressed with a sensible view
And just as Dame Nature intended them to.
Give us a girl with a figure her own
And fashioned divinely by Nature alone.
Feminine styles are getting fiercer each year,
Give, oh give us the girls as they used to appear.

Ode to Prince Rupert

The following creditable poem was published in the "Prince Rupert Journal" of October 3, in a very prominent position. Miss Alice Carss, the writer, will be well remembered by Victoria High School students. She is now attending Prince Rupert High School, and is doubtless as popular there as she was in Victoria. We heartily congratulate her on this first attempt in the field of poesy, and are proud to think she was a former student here. We hope she may yet obtain even greater distinction.

I watched the sun sink slowly in the west;
The country round with brightest colours blest,
Turning the ocean of the deepest blue
To many shades of gayest golden hue;
The colours faded slowly from the lea,
No more the waters seemed a golden sea,
The mountains formed a dark mass round about
'Till one by one the twinkling stars peeped out,
The moon arose and cast her silvery light
On many snow-capped peaks of glistening white.

The ship now glided slowly up the bay,
There, at the mountain's foot, Prince Rupert lay,
And every shingled roof was shining bright
Beneath the soft, fair rays of pale moonlight,
And many lights threw up a soft bright glow
From all the buildings nestling there below.
The sky was clear and everything was still—
That peaceful calm spread all around, until
Echoing and re-echoing in the gorge
Out screamed the warning siren of "Prince George."

Rupert! Thou art indeed a princely town,
And all thy citizens shall find renown,
In vision clear I see thy greatness made,
Thou art the key to all western trade,
And when at last the G. T. P. is through
May all the dreams of pioneers come true;
Later, when thou art large and prosperous
I hope thy children will remember us,
Who sought thee out through all the golden west
To be for them and theirs a home of rest.



EDITORIAL

ONCE again we are able to present to the students of Victoria College and High School the "Camosun," this time as a magazine. Although this first issue has been much delayed in making its appearance, yet we hope it has lost none of the usual interest that its readers take in it. This year the paper will be published monthly instead of every two weeks as for the last two years. The editorial board hopes to have ten issues altogether, the last one appearing in May.

Why the Changed Form

Many of our last year's readers will perhaps be surprised to see that we have returned to the magazine form of school paper. It is not without much additional expense and trouble on the part of the management that we have been able to do so. One of the strongest of our reasons for making the change was the result of the plebiscite taken at the end of last term, when the students were asked to vote on the desirability of printing "The Camosun" like other college and school papers. The result was in favor of the magazine form. No doubt everyone will appreciate our paper more for this change, but at first there were some misgivings as to whether it could be financed. The advertisers have done their share in this direction; now it rests with the students to see that the paper does not lack funds. This can be done by patronizing the firms who advertise with us, and buying your own copy each issue.

Mention "The Camosun"

This year we have again many reliable firms advertising in our paper. We hope that all good students who read "The Camosun" will be led to patronize these clothiers, sporting goods stores, etc., who have kindly renewed or given us their "ads." Perhaps it is necessary for us to repeat what we said last session, about mentioning "The Camosun" to our advertisers, when you buy from them. It is very satisfactory to a business man to have some concrete examples of how his advertising schemes pay. Therefore, when purchasing, remember to tell your dealer that you saw his "ad" in your High School paper.

THE CORNER-STONE LAYING OF THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL

On Saturday, September 14th, the corner-stone of the new Victoria College and High School on Fernwood Road, was laid by the Hon. Henry Esson Young, M.D., LL.D. This event marks one of the most important steps in Victoria's progress in the educational line during the last few years. Just ten years ago the brother of the present Minister of Education laid the corner-stone of the present building. Since then the number of students has increased greatly, and next fall we hope to see the opening of the new structure, which will be an added attraction to the city. The ceremony last September was witnessed by a large number of High School pupils, and also by the teaching staff. The cadet corps acting as guard of honour made a splendid showing, under the command of Captain Dowler. It is very satisfactory to know that the construction work on the new building is being pushed forward as quickly as possible by the contractors. Everything indicates that the school will be ready for use next fall. When completed it will be one of the most modern of its kind on the continent.

THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S VISIT

This year Victoria was favoured with a visit from His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, Governor-General of Canada, and the Duchess, and Princess Patricia. On his landing here, and on several other occasions the High School Cadets turned out in fine form. One of the most notable functions which he attended during his short stay in Victoria was the inspection by him of the scholars of all the public schools of the city on the morning of October 1st. The boys and girls were massed in blocks facing the platform, each section being reserved for a school. Hundreds of spectators lined the sidewalks and adjacent grounds, and loud cheers were given as the royal party arrived and departed. After the singing of the National Anthem and "Rule Britannia" by the children, the Duke made the presentation of his silver and bronze medals to the winners, and spoke a few words to the gathering of young folks. The children again sang "O Canada," after which the Duke and party left the platform. Before leaving the grounds His Royal Highness complimented Captain Dowler on the neat and orderly appearance of the cadets who acted as guard of honour. Altogether the function was a great success and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. This visit will long remain in the memories of the school children of our city.

SYMPATHY

On behalf of the College and High School "The Camosun" wishes to express the sincere regret and sympathy felt for Miss Marjorie Tait and the members of the family in their recent sad bereavement.

THE NEW PROVINCIAL LIBRARY

Victoria will in a few years possess one of the finest libraries on the American continent. While here the Governor-General performed the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of the splendid new Provincial Library being erected by the Government at the rear of the Parliament Buildings. Special interest should be taken in this library by all students, for it will doubtless be most useful to them when completed.

In the March issue of "The Camosun" there appeared an article "The Lady with the Lamp," written especially for this paper by Miss Agnes Deans Cameron. We regret that since then this most respected and accomplished lecturer and authoress has passed to the Great Beyond. She was born in Victoria in 1865 and received her education in the public and high schools of this city, and moreover, was for many years a member of the teaching staff, later becoming principal of the South Park School. It was not until 1906 that she left for Chicago, thus starting on her literary career. Since then she had lectured in both the United States and England with great success, and wrote "The New North," a book descriptive of a trip up the Peace River. Shortly after her return from England to Victoria she died, completely worn out by the constant strain of lecturing and travel.

CHANGES IN THE TEACHING STAFF

We take pleasure in welcoming to the High School the three new members of the teaching staff—Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Yates, and Mr. Macdonald. Mr. Armstrong, a native of Truro, Nova Scotia, was educated at Truro Academy, attended the Provincial Normal College and graduated as Bachelor of Arts from Acadia University in 1903. In 1908 he obtained his M. A. degree. Mr. Armstrong has held important positions in various scholastic institutions. From 1904 to 1909 he was Principal of Cape Breton County Academy, located at Sydney, N.S., and more recently was Principal of the public school of Rossland, B. C. Mr. Armstrong has kindly consented to act as "literary supervisor" of the paper, and we feel honoured in having secured the services of one so interested and fit to fill the position.

Mr. Yates, who succeeds Mr. Larsen as teacher of English, is a graduate of McGill, and a Rhodes Scholar. After taking his B. A. degree at the Canadian University Mr. Yates went to Oxford, where he studied for some years, again showing his ability by obtaining there his degree of "B. A. in Law." Mr. Yates takes a keen interest in athletics, and has won for himself the esteem of all by the enthusiastic way he has undertaken the coaching of the rugby players in the High School.

In welcoming Mr. Macdonald to the school, we welcome a graduate of Queen's College, Kingston, Ontario. From this institution he obtained his B. A. and M. A. degrees in the year 1911. Mr. Macdonald, too, is interested in sports, and has taken up the supervision of the boys' basketball. He is also interested in the Cadet Corps.

These three have come to take the place of three who have left our school—Mr. Russell, Mr. Larsen, and Mr. Wattie. Mr. Russell is on a year's leave of absence, and we trust that, after a most enjoyable and well-earned rest, he may return to the school next year. To Mr. Larsen and Mr. Wattie "The Camosun" extends best wishes for all success in the branches of work they have taken up.

We note with much interest and pleasure that a movement has been started in one of the English class-rooms by which each student using the room is asked to bring the sum of ten cents. All these "dimes" will go towards making up a fund to buy some good pictures for the rather bare walls of the room. If all the pupils of the High School would enter whole-heartedly into a scheme like this, we feel sure that our school would be much improved, not only in the eyes of the those who study within its walls but also in the eyes of the visitors who come to see it.

OBITUARY

The sad death of Cecil H. Sargent, last September, came as a shock to his many friends and acquaintances. The circumstances surrounding his death were most unfortunate, and he died before his father could reach him. He was accidentally shot with his own rifle when on a hunting trip near Cortez Island; at the time he was with a survey party. Cecil was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Sargent of this city. He was born at Pendennis, Man., in 1894, and several years ago came to Victoria with his parents. He passed through the High School here and belonged to the Cadet Corps for some time. Last April he completed his first year in Arts. In all his work he was most conscientious, and won the admiration and respect both of his teachers and fellow-students. He had made a great number of friends in every circle, and he is mourned by all who knew him.

The student body of the Victoria High School and College takes this opportunity of extending their sincere sympathy to the bereaved parents and family of their young friend, whose promising young life was so unfortunately cut short.

SOCIETY.



A number of the pupils who have left High School are now pursuing their studies at the Normal School in Vancouver. Among the girls who spent the week-end and Thanksgiving at home, returning on the midnight boat Monday were Margaret Beattie, May Noir, Gladys Ledingham, Bina Bryndjolfson, Ruth Miller, Olive Hayes and Nadine Berton.

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Allan Clark, one of last year's Matriculation pupils, is now at McGill University, Montreal. He is greatly missed in social circles as well as in the sports.

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Miss Maude Nason, a member of the High School hockey team, has left school, much to the sorrow of the other members of the team, and is now playing with the Victoria Ladies.

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Of last year's "Arts" students of the first year, just about half are continuing the course in Victoria. Some are studying in other cities, other have stopped altogether.

Miss Bissett is teaching at Beaver Point, Salt Spring Island; Miss Brynjolfson is attending the Normal School in Vancouver; Miss Miller is continuing her course in "Arts" at the Vancouver McGill College; Miss Eva Miss and Miss Stewart are taking up first year work again in this college; Miss Elsie Mess is following no particular branch of study, and Miss Boyden, after attending lectures for about two weeks, has, to the regret of her fellow students, discontinued her work.

Hamilton is studying medicine at McGill in Montreal, and Hartman, to quote his own words, "has embarked upon the sea of finance."

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Of the second year students, Misses Ryan, Hamilton and BurrIDGE have gone to Montreal to take up the work of the third year; Hannington is on a surveying trip at Strathcona Park; Stevens is at Shawnigan Lake; Robinson, Norris, Yeo and Sivertz are variously employed in the city.

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Widnell Knott, a member of Matric A. last year, is at Normal School. He is president of the Literary Society of that institution.

Cecil Drader, another of last year's "Matrics," is teaching school.

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Vergil Westcot, a former High School pupil, has gone to Portland, Ore., with his parents. He is continuing his course at the College of Dentistry there.

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Harold Beckwith, once editor of "The Camosun," has returned to Toronto, where he is studying law.

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Miss Emma Wille, of last year's "Matrics," is pursuing a business course at the Convent in this city.

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Will and Jamie Cameron, together with Wilfrid Harrison, are students at Castle Heights School, Lebanon, Tenn., this year. In writing to one of the teachers, they express themselves as being delighted with their new surroundings.

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"The Camosun" staff regret the departure from school of Miss Agnes Robertson, who, in the role of "Cousin Em," did so much to enliven last year's papers. The social whirl seems to have proven more alluring than scholastic life, for we have noticed lately that our former associate on the editorial board has made her "bow to society" and is one of this season's fairest debutantes.

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Carleton Hanington, our worthy and energetic editor of last season, has spent the summer on a survey party in the vicinity of Clayoquot. It is with regret that we hear he will no longer be with us.

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Mr. Gordon Kenning entertained a few of his friends at a delightful dinner-party at his home on Belcher Street, on Friday, the 25th. Among those present were: Forrest Kerr, Douglas Mitchell, Algernon Davis, Gerald Miller and Robert O'Meara.

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On Friday afternoon, October 20, Miss Cann entertained the girls of the Second Year Arts at tea at "Roccabella." Those present were the Misses Penney, Bruskey and Gonnason, and also Miss Bassett, a former pupil at the Victoria High School.

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On the evening of Thursday, October 24, the executive of the Beta Delta were entertained by the Honorary President, Mr. Wood, at dinner. The table was tastily decorated with the High School colours. Those present were: Mrs. Wood, Mr. Yates, Gordon Campbell, R. O'Meara, P. H. Clyde, W. P. Hall, F. Beckwith, G. S. Samson and H. Clark. After dinner the members of the executive held a lengthy business meeting, at which the plans were laid for the remainder of the society's work this session.

Many High School and College students were seen at the skating arena on the afternoon and evening of Thanksgiving Day.

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On Hallowe'en night Miss Violet Watson gave a very enjoyable party at her pretty home, "Roseneath," Fort Street. A very dainty supper was served and the evening was spent in games and music. During the evening the girls were surprised once or twice by the revellers outside. Just before leaving light refreshments were served and in spite of the fact that thirteen were present, everyone affirmed that it had had no effect on their enjoyment. Those present were Misses Dorothy Moore, Gertrude and Bessie Scott, Annie Norman, Ella and Kathrine Jackson, Lily Wilson, Edith Hart, Gabriel Pauly, Sibyl Hardwick, Theresa Pollick, and Phyllis Knowles.

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On Hallowe'en, Miss Winifred Winterburn entertained a few of her friends, at her home on Dallas Road. The guests, who were mostly High School girls, amused themselves by playing many Hallowe'en games, some being very weird, and everyone enjoyed themselves greatly. Misses Grace Burrell and Bessie Greenwood were successful in carrying off the prizes. Those present were: Misses Helen Marling, Ilace Terry, Belle Hastie, Mildred Chow, Grace Burrell and Bessie Greenwood.

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On Thursday evening Mr. Fred. Beckwith entertained a number of his friends at an enjoyable Hallowe'en party. The evening was spent in games and music. A very interesting Hallowe'en guessing competition was indulged in and won by Miss Edna Brewster and Mr. Robert Yates. Among those present were: Misses Orma Townsend, Edna Brewster, Erica Ulin, Bessie Middleton and Florence McMillan, Messrs. Robert Yates, Paul Clyde, Dal Gordon.

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Preparations are well under way for a ball to be held by the College Athletic Association. The event is to take place in the Connaught Hall, on Tuesday, the nineteenth of this month. This dance is always very popular, and should be a great success this time, as usual.

The Wrong Kind

A strapping German with big beads of perspiration streaming down his face, was darting in and out among the aisles of a department store. His excited actions attracted the attention of all the salespeople, and they hardly knew what to make of it. A hustling young man of the clothing department walked up and asked:

"Are you looking for something in men's clothing?"

"No," he roared, "not men's clothing; vimmin's clothing. I can't find my wife!"—(Ladies' Home Journal)



(P. H. Clyde, Secretary)

THE Society has commenced its fourth session of existence. We have enrolled a very large number of new members, making a total membership of seventy-six. The fee has been raised to the sum of fifteen cents. If you are not a member, why not join?

Officers

The election of officers for the present session was held on Wednesday, October 2. The balloting in several cases was very close, the successful candidates winning by only a small number of votes. The new officers are: Hon. President, Mr. Wood; Hon. Vice-President, Mr. Andrews; President, G. Campbell; Vice-President, R. O'Meara; Secretary, P. H. Clyde; Treasurer, W. P. Hall; Executive Committee, F. Beckwith, H. Clark and G. C. Sanson.

Plans for New Session

For the remainder of this season it has been decided that the Society will continue to hold its regular weekly debates. Some of the subjects that will be discussed are: "Resolved that the higher education of women is beneficial to the community at large"; "Resolved that the Panama Canal should be neutralized"; "Resolved that the elimination of private profit offers the best solution of the liquor problem." There will also be a debate on the subject of "Child Labour."

After December it is probable that the Society will have a Mock Trial, and for a short time take the form of a Mock Parliament, following which will be the inter-class series of debates for the Mayor Beckwith medal.

The First Meeting of the Session

On Friday, September 20, the Society held its first meeting of the 1912-13 session. President Beckwith occupied the chair. The debate was on the subject: "Resolved that the departmental stores are a detriment to the country." The affirmative was upheld by G. Campbell and G. Kenning, and the negative by N. Lyons and W. P. Hall. The judges were Miss Cann, Mr. Willis, and Mr. Yates, who arrived at a decision in favour of the negative.

October 9th—At the meeting held on October 9th, there was no debate, but instead the Hon. Vice-President, Mr. Andrews, gave a very interesting address to the members on "How to prepare a debate."

This was very helpful to all who were present and especially to those members who are new at debating work. All those who heard Mr. Andrews appreciated very much what he said, and any who have felt nervous at speaking are gaining a considerable degree of confidence in themselves.

October 16th—"Resolved that the action of the Government towards forest preservation is in the best interests of the country."

In the absence of the President, Vice-President O'Meara occupied the chair. This was a very large and interesting meeting. The affirmative speakers were Henderson and Sanson, and those on the negative were Miller and Gregson. The judges were Mr. Yates and Mr. Clark. A decision was given in favour of the affirmative, who won by a small margin of marks. After the debate business was transacted, following which was a short open discussion, on the above named subject.

"Resolved that the average young man of today has greater opportunities to make life a success financially than his forefathers."

The above was the subject for debate on October 22. President Campbell occupied the chair. The meeting was well attended and those present were much interested in the subject that was being discussed. The members who spoke on the affirmative were Hamilton and Hayward, and those on the negative were Gee and McCallum. The judges were Mr. Andrews, Mr. Hamilton Smith, and Mr. Strachan. The decision which they gave was in favour of the negative. After the debate there was an open discussion on the above subject, in which several took part.

We note with pleasure, the greatly changed appearance of our High School. Those in charge are to be highly complimented upon their success in the interior renovating of the building, especially the tinting and burlapping of the walls of corridors and class-rooms and the decided improving of the appearance of the desks.

The Strathcona Fund

On Saturday, October 26th, the Battalion held a prize shoot for \$30 in prizes, which is a grant from the Strathcona Fund. The cash prizes will be awarded to the Cadets who made the best scores on Thursday afternoon. The scores were:—

	Points	Prize		Points	Prize
Cadet T. Heyland....	27	\$6.00	Cadet Roberts	20	\$1.00
Sergt. McPherson ...	27	5.00	L. C. Leigh	20	1.00
Corp. Hardwick.....	26	4.00	Maj. Yuill	19	.60
Lieut. Henderson....	25	3.00	Corp. Forrester.....	19	.60
Sergt. Dorman	23	2.00	Cadet Burnett	18	.40
Lieut. Lyons	22	2.00	Cadet D. Heyland....	18	.40
Capt. Brown	22	1.50	Cadet D. Willie.....	18	.40
Cadet J. J. Brown....	21	1.25	Cadet Savannah	18	.40



The Coming Year

SINCE the last edition of "The Camosun," the Battalion has had an addition in the way of a band of thirty-three pieces. This band is under the direction of Bandmaster Plowright. With the beginning of the term the Battalion was again organized in its three companies and so far 127 (not including the band) have signed the roll. A few changes in the officers have taken place owing to the retirement of a number of last year's officers, noteworthy among whom were Captains Hanington, Stevens, Hartman, Lieuts. Fort, Mulcahy, Drader and Cameron; also in the quartermaster's department by the resignation of Hon. Capt. Graves the Battalion loses one of its faithful workers.

The outlook in the line of shooting could not be better. There has been already one shoot for \$30 in prizes and in the course of the term two similar ones will be held. It is also very likely that the Daughters of the Empire will grant two prizes to be awarded on inspection day, one for the best shot, the other for the best drilled Cadet.

A signal corps of eight has been formed, in charge of Sergt. L. T. Davis, as well as a bugle band in charge of Corp. A. Forrester.

Last February the Cadets held a very successful ball under the distinguished patronage of Col. Wadmore, D.O.C., and Mrs. Wadmore; the Hon. Dr. Young, Minister of Education, and Mrs. Young; His Worship Mayor Beckwith and Mrs. Beckwith. They intend holding such a ball this year and to make even a greater success of it than last year.

The Summer Camp

At the Cadet camp on Macaulay Plains this summer a detachment of High School Cadets, under Capts. Yuill and Graves, Lieuts. Fort and Brown, were present, and spent a very enjoyable time. Over 500 Cadets from Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster were under canvas. The camp was under the command of Major Snow, Corps of Guides, Cadet Inspector, while Lieut. Mulcahy, R.C.G.A., made an

excellent adjutant. The work of patrolling the camp fell entirely on the High School and University Cadets, aided by the Seaforth Highlanders, Cadets of Vancouver. This was well carried out and the Cadets gained an excellent practical experience. The High School Cadets were particularly complimented on their work by Major Snow. Next year it is expected there will be a couple of thousand in camp, when it will be better organized.

The Personnel of Staff

The following Cadet Battalion orders have been issued by Major J. W. Dowler, Commanding No. 112, V. H. S. Cadet Battalion:
Headquarters, Victoria High School,
Victoria, B. C., Oct. 25th, 1912.

The officers for the year, pending appointment from Ottawa, will be as follows:—

On the Staff—To be Lieut.-Colonel, Major J. W. Dowler; to be Major, Capt. L. S. Yuill; to be Acting-Adjutant, Lieut. M. W. Henderson.

"A" Company—Officer Commanding, Major Yuill; 1st Lieutenant, M. W. Henderson; 2nd Lieutenant, Norman Lyons.

"B" Company—Mr. McDonald will be in charge. Officers to be appointed later and to hold local rank only.

"C" Company—Captain, James P. Brown. Lieutenants to be appointed later and to hold local rank.

Warrant Officers—Battalion Sergt.-Major, Cambell Sanson; Regimental Quartermaster-Sergt., K. Gillie.

Non-Coms.: "A" Company—Sergt.-Major, P. Clyde; Sergeants, N. Terry, R. Grubb, P. McPherson; Corporals, E. F. Hardwick, R. Hamilton, A. McBride, H. Stevens; Lance Corporals, Leigh, Dean, Hall, Meston. "B" and "C" Companies Non-Coms. to be appointed later.

All appointments to date from August 26th, 1912, except Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant, which will date from September 25th, 1912.

(Signed) M. W. HENDERSON, Lieut.,
Acting-Adjutant.

Clover Point Range

On October 12th the first shoot of the season was held at Clover Point Range, the following being some of the best scores:—Corp. Hardwick 25, Cadet Bennett 25, Corp. Stevens 24, Lieut. Henderson 24, Cadet Wills 23, Lt.-Col. Dowler 22, Capt. Brown 22, Cadet Miller 22, Cadet J. J. Brown 21, Regt. Qmr.-Sergt. Gillie 19, Cadet McIntyre 19.

On October 19th the second shoot of the year, the following scores were made at Clover Point Range:—Lt.-Col. Dowler 29, Cadet Heyland 27, Sergt. Dorman 23, L. C. Leigh 23, Cadet A. Brown 22, Cadet Harvey 21, Cadet Heyland 21, Lieut. Henderson 20, Capt. Brown 19, Cadet Gale 19, Cadet Mitchell 19.

OUR TIN-GODS.



Cedric Tuohy or Sam, as he is more intimately called by his friends and admirers (the girls), was born in the latter part of the 19th century. He originated in the States but he's not a Yank but a staunch Canadian with a touch of "Scotch" in him. The latter has not affected his knees or head in any way.



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No bagpipes heralded the great event of his birth, but I hear he brought his own, and set up his pipes on short notice, because someone wanted to give him a bath.

His earlier years were spent at the Central School, where he imbibed knowledge so freely that his cranium has become enlarged by the pressure of learning. However, the balloon-like result has carried him to the dizzy heights of the V. H. S. and no man knows at

what elevation he will end up. Even at the game of marbles has his valuable life been risked in a way to make our bluer blood turn cold.

For two years he has been our rugby captain and a mighty fine skipper he makes. His whole heart is in the game, or at least what is left of it, for with a whole-souled generosity, greatly to be admired, he tries to give a portion of that large but over-worked organ to each gentle applicant who knows no greater honour than a word and smile from our captain on the field.

So here's to Sam of the V. H. S.

Here's to our Captain that's nifty,

Hoping his shadow may never grow less,

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They go to the Detention Room looking glad,
 And stay there for over an hour,
 And not even a punishment twice as bad
 Could make one of them look sour.

So if you wish to come to this High School
 Try and get into this happy class.
 There are no words, however harsh or cruel,
 Can make you wish, from it, to pass.

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To Ella

Of all the fair dames in Junior C.
 Ella's the fairest of fair to see.
 Her face is pretty, her shape divine,
 The boys all say, "I wish she were mine."
 But she's so proud she never looks down
 Their faithful offers of love to crown.
 Now she's waiting for a Prince to say:
 I've come, my darling, to take you away.
 Away to my palace up on high,
 And there we will live until we die.

PRELIMINARY A.

JUNIOR D.

The nine probationers who were given thirty days' hard labour were successful with their work.

Mr. ——— does not approve of the ability of one of the rows in Junior D.

Junior D. is always having good advice given to them; the latest is: "Take the grammar down in your minds as you never look at it when you write it in your books."

Miss Hampton is about to distinguish herself when she completes her book, the subject matter of which is: "The History of England in One Chapter."

The less said about Junior D. the better.

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PRELIMINARY B.

The Rough-Neck Band

O where is the famous Rough-Neck Band
That in the corridor used to stand
Last year?

O why is it that they come not forth
Like a rushing whirlwind from the North?
Is it fear?

Where is the most illustrious Ried
Who once tried the Rough-Neck Band to lead?
Where's he?

And "Shorty" Gordon, of stature small,
Who cried, when a maiden passed them all,
"That's she!"

Where's "Hono" Gosse, with a voice so loud,
Which was often heard above the crowd
To cry,

And say, "Cursus, cursus, masculine,
O by my Latin but ain't she fine!
O my!"

Have "Becky" and "Mac" and "Frenchie" too,
And all the rest of that wondrous crew
Reformed?

That you never see them now at all
Watching the fair ones pass down the hall
Adorned.

With rings and ribbons and jewels rare,
And flaxen and red and coal-black hair
So long.

Oh, alas, alas, the Rough-Neck Band
In hallways are forbidden to stand!
This wrong

Was imposed by pedagogues stern,
And they are watching at every turn,
To see

Which boys do keep this measure drastic
And which have consciences elastic
And free.

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If the teachers have tact and wish to reveal it
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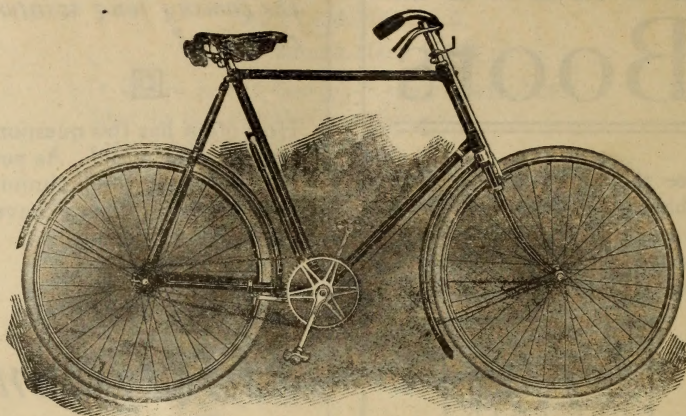
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